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LYDD GEORGE & BASTILL DAY.

LONDON, July 11.

For the occasion of the French National Festival (July 14) Mr. Lloyd George has issued a warm appeal on behalf of the British committee of the French Red Cross. He says that during four years of war we celebrated "France's Day" by sending offerings through the British committee of the French Red Cross in homage to the superb tenacity with which France faced her terrible invader and, robbed of her richest territory, held the line at so cruel a cost till we could come in our full strength to her aid. Her lands have been gloriously restored to her by our common effort and common sacrifice, but the British committee cannot leave its noble work unfinished. It has undertaken the care of over five hundred towns and villages in most of the devastated regions of France. It is helping those who lost their all in the hard struggle to win back their heritage, and it needs our continued and wholehearted support. In gratitude for our own immunity from invasion and its lasting scars I commend this beneficent cause to the most generous remembrance of Britons the world over.

RETURN TRIP OF THE AIR BUS.

LONDON, July 11.

The Air Ministry states that the position of the R34 at 12.10 in the afternoon (Greenwich) was 46 deg. north and 35.50 west. She had covered 1,300 miles in the first twenty-four hours.

The Air Ministry says the position of the R34 at 4.30 in the morning of July 10 to be 42.15 north and 54.05 west. A message was picked up at six in the afternoon (New York time) that she was going beautifully and everyone was "fine." One third of the way across she was going at sixty knots.

A BIGGER YET.

LONDON, July 11.

Speaking at Newcastle, General Groves, the deputy chief of the Air Staff, announced that the Air Department would soon send out a giant airship four times the size of the R34, to make a return voyage to the Cape via Egypt.

FRENCH FLYER KILLED.

PARIS, July 11.

The foremost French aviator, M. Navarre, was killed at Villacoublay when trying a new machine.

BULGARIAN PEACE TERMS.

PARIS, July 11.

Le Journal states that the Bulgarian peace treaty cedes west Thrace to Turkey and Strumitza to Serbia, while Rumania gives up Dobruja except the bridge-heads at Silistria and Turtukal. The Bulgarian plenipotentiaries must reach Enghien by July 25.

PARIS, July 11.

The Allies have asked Bulgaria to send plenipotentiaries to Paris to receive the Bulgarian peace treaty, which is nearing completion.

GERMAN RATIFICATION RECEIVED.

LONDON, July 11.

The instrument of ratification by the German government, signed by Herr Ebert, was received at the Foreign Ministry this morning.

PARIS, July 11.

Diplomats state that the German ratification treaty will not be complete until the Prussian and Bavarian parliaments have both approved, because the German constitution necessitates the parliaments of all the states which are giving up territory agreeing to the changes.

HOLLAND HUFFED.

DUTCH DIGNITY.

PARIS, July 11.

Holland's reply to the Allied Note urging the necessity of keeping the closest guard on the Kaiser and Crown Prince expresses surprise at receiving warnings based on rumours. It adds that Holland is conscious of her international obligations and must be permitted freely to exercise her sovereign rights.

GERMAN MISSIONS IN INDIA.

CALCUTTA, July 11.

The government of India replying to the European Association has stated its intention to repatriate every German and Austrian at present in India except in special cases. These repatriations include German missionaries. The enemy missions in India are being taken over by British societies, and their properties vested in provincial custodians of enemy property, with a view to transference ultimately to boards of trustees composed partly of non-official members who are nominees of the National Missionary Council and partly of government officials. These boards will in due course transfer the properties to missionary societies approved by the Governor-General.

THE GREAT COAL DODGE.

HOW FIGURES WERE DERIVED.

LONDON, July 11.

A White Paper has been issued showing the basis on which the 6's increase in the cost of coal per ton was calculated. The deficiency in working the coal industry for the twelve months beginning July 16 is estimated at over 45 millions sterling. The output is estimated at 217,000,000 tons. Deducting the quantity whereon the increased price would not be effective, namely, 56,000,000 tons, comprising 18,000,000 for collieries, 6,000,000 for miners' use, and 32,000,000 sold at open market price above the minimum for export and bunkers, there remains 161,000,000 over which the estimated deficiency would have to be spread, necessitating an increase in the price of 5s. 9d. or 6's.

COTTON STRIKE OVER.

LONDON, July 11.

The operative cotton spinners decided by 130 votes to 22 to resume work on July 14.

STRIKERS STOP DECORATIONS.

LONDON, July 11.

The Office of Works has issued a statement that the Department is unable to proceed with the official illuminations on the occasion of the peace celebrations, owing to the Electrical Trades Union making the supply of lighting conditional on the Department forcing the employers to accept the Union's demand as regards the disputed rates of pay.

PRESIDENT WILSON.

LONDON, July 10.

President Wilson in an address mainly devoted to the L.O.N. said it was the only hope of mankind. He declared that America could not refuse the moral leadership which the war and the Peace Conference had offered her. Any government representing the people must regard as of cost assist in utterly destroying the old order of international politics. Statesmen might see difficulties but the people saw none and would brook no denial.

Mr. Wilson called attention to the inevitability of many compromises in the treaty. He declared that the work of the Conference squared with the principles agreed upon as the basis of peace as well as with the practical possibilities of the international situation.

In an interview he opined that a two-thirds majority would be required to adopt any Senate reservation in ratifying the treaty.

THE STEAMER AND THE ICEBERG.

A SMART CAPTAIN.

ST. JOHNS, July 11.

When the liner "Grampian" struck the iceberg, the casualties were mostly among the crew asleep in the forecastle. Five hundred women and children were aboard, but there was no panic. When the iceberg was sighted through the fog, impact was unavoidable though the ship was going slowly. It is declared that the quick decision of the captain alone prevented a repetition of the Titanic disaster. He changed his course and struck the iceberg head on instead of getting a glancing blow.

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EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

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RAISING THE BLOCKADE.

WHY GERMANS WERE QUICK.

LONDON, July 11.

Reuter is officially informed that the blockade against Germany will be raised as soon as the document confirming German ratification of the Peace Treaty has been formally received by the Allies in Paris. The raising of the blockade, it is stated, does not necessarily imply the removal of trade restrictions.

FUME.

A NAVAL DEMONSTRATION.

PARIS, July 12.

A Havas message says:—Three Allied warships, representing American, Great Britain, and France, have been ordered to steam up the Rhine. This action, by the Council of Five, is regarded as a warning to Italy that she is not yet in possession of Fiume.

DEAD NEWS.

PARIS, July 12.

A Havas message says:—The programme of the Victory file is practically complete. Marshal Joffre and Marshal Foch will ride together leading the victorious troops from the start to the finish of the procession.

FAR EASTERN CABLE NEWS.

CHINA AND THE PEACE TREATIES.

SHANGHAI, July 16.

The Cabinet telegraphed to Luk Tsing-cheong on the 13th inst., instructing him to sign the Austrian Peace Treaty, with the object of joining the League of Nations. After signing the Austrian Treaty, he may discuss the German Treaty again.

Tong Joy-lay reports that European public opinion fully endorses China's attitude.

Tuan Ki-sui still advocates signing the German Treaty in order not to lose the advantages accruing therefrom.

PEACE BETWEEN THE NORTH AND SOUTH.

It is proposed that if Shum Chun-bin will assume the chief deputation, Tuan Kien-shun should be appointed chief delegate for the North so that peace can be more easily arranged by responsible leaders on both sides.

The On Fook Club opposes both Chien Nung-fun and Chow Chi-chai as chief peace delegate.

MATTERS REGARDING MONGOLIA.

It is reported that the Government have complied with Chang Jol-lun's request to issue a mandate ordering an attack upon Kirin. It is said that the Central Government will dispatch one division of troops, and Chang Jol-lun will dispatch two divisions, but the authorities deny any such report.

THE STRIKE IN CANTON.

The Cantonese residents in Shanghai held a meeting yesterday, to discuss the strike in Canton. It was decided to send four delegates to Canton to ask the authorities to comply with the people's demand.

IN SEARCH OF A CABINET.

Compromised by Tuan Ki-sui, the On Fook Club has now decided to let Kung Sum-jahn form a Cabinet.

FRENCH NATIONAL DAY CELEBRATIONS.

The Chinese participated in the French National Day Celebrations on the 14th.—Hongkong Chinese Commercial News.

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It is requested that those who attend the reception will bring cards with their names clearly written thereon.

Hongkong, July 17, 1919.



NOTICE.

NO LAUNCH or BOAT is to be at approach, or leave Murray Pier or Statue Wharf between the hours of 9.30 P.M. and 11 P.M. on the 17th and 18th July.

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Hongkong, July 16, 1919.

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Hongkong, July 15, 1919.

BANK HOLIDAY.

SATURDAY, the 19th July has been gazetted a GENERAL HOLIDAY and the EXCHANGE BANKS will be CLOSED for the transaction of Public Business on that day.

Hongkong, July 16, 1919.

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PEACE CELEBRATIONS.

MEMBERS on duty during the PEACE CELEBRATIONS will be posted at the CITY HALL in relays from 7.30 P.M. to 11 P.M. on FRIDAY, and 5.15 P.M. to 11 P.M. on SATURDAY. Members of the Victoria Nursing Division will wear indoor uniform.

Men will wear caps, shorts, puttees, haversacks (fitted), water-bottles (fitted).

All wheeled Ambulances, Stretchers and Field Cases, with splints and bandages, should be sent to the CITY HALL, not later than 7 P.M. on FRIDAY and may remain there until MONDAY next.

E. KALPIN,

Asst. Commissioner.

Hongkong, July 16, 1919.

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WITH regard to his previous notice, the Colonial Secretary begs to announce that all men who joined His Majesty's Forces at home or elsewhere, and who are now in Hongkong, should send in their names to him without delay.

COLONIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE.
Hongkong, July 14, 1919.



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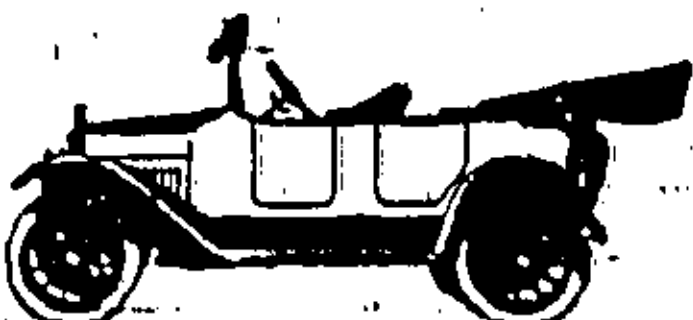
ALL PERSONS with the exception of those of Chinese race desiring to leave the Colony should apply to the Colonial Secretary for a PASS before the hours of 9 A.M. to 1 P.M. and 4 P.M. to 6 P.M. daily at the PASS OFFICE, Post Office Building.

Applicants will be required to produce photographs or identification papers. All persons, with certain exceptions, who remain in the Colony for more than 14 days are required to register themselves under the REGISTRATION OF PERSONS Ordinance 1918. Forms of Registration giving the particulars required may be obtained at the G.E.O. and at all Police Stations.

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WIFE'S DIVORCE OFFER.

The story of a wife's offer of divorce at a price was told at Edinburgh on Saturday, May 31, in an action by Capt. William Morrison Leggart for a divorce from his wife, Margaret Leggart, Blenheim-mansions, Brixton-hill, London.

Capt. Leggart, a shipbroker in Glasgow, said he met her in Brighton in March 1917, and married her on May 3 of that year at Brixton. Soon afterwards he left for service in France. When on leave in 1918 he had trouble with his wife owing to her corresponding with men he did not know, and going to dances and theatres with them. Later his wife wrote protesting her innocence of any wrongdoing. She said she wanted their birth to have their freedom, and asked what price he would be prepared to pay her if she were to give him a divorce.

When he demanded to know what she meant, added the witness, she wrote that, as she would have to pay the price all her life, it was necessary for her to have some money to fall back upon. He wrote telling her it was illegal to come to any such arrangement. He then placed the matter in the hands of his London solicitors, with the result that he received a document in which his wife confessed to having been unfaithful.

Evidence was given that Mrs. Leggart spent a night with an American officer in an hotel in London, and a decree of divorce on the ground of infidelity was granted.

"STIFLING INDUSTRY, AND ENERGY."

Sir J. P. Maclay, Shipping Controller, speaking in Glasgow at a presentation to Sir William Martin, Scottish organising secretary of the Royal National Lifeboat Institution, said that a few years ago he had a feeling that it might be good for the Institution to come under Government supervision. He had not that opinion to-day. His experience in the South had not encouraged him in that direction. Let them have as much Government supervision as they liked, but not Government control. He was quite certain that business men, who understood their business and had experience of recent years with Government departments, would desire nothing more than quick and speedy relaxation. If the country was to succeed it would not be by Government control, which stifled industry, enterprise, and energy. He trusted that the Lifeboat Institution would continue to be controlled by private enterprise. Replying to a vote of thanks, Sir Joseph said he had only one desire, and that was to get disembodied. He had not the slightest thought at present of making his future in the South.

DERBY SWEEPS.

Says the Daily Mail of June 2: Despite the tendency to charge more for tickets than before the war, the Victory Derby sweepstakes have been unusually well patronised, and many of the clubs report the largest participation on record.

The Savage Club has done particularly well, and the Prince of Wales, who only joined a couple of weeks ago, is among the ticket holders.

The Royal Automobile Club's draw has already been held. Two "sweeps" were produced, one with £1 tickets, of which 4,000 were sold, and another with chances at £5 apiece, of which 100 were bought. This is easily the biggest thing of the kind which the R.A.C. has done.

Today the Victory Club's draw will be held. All the tickets have been taken—a thousand at 10s. and 700 at a sovereign—which is considerably more than were ever disposed of in pre-war days.

The Great Tree Club, which keeps up old customs as befits its long history, will also hold its draw to-day. Some 300 10s. tickets have been sold, a bigger number than at any former Derby.

One hundred and ten £1 tickets have been bought by members of the Argentine Club, who will draw next week, and 200 members of the Royal Aero Club, whose draw has already taken place, have bought 10s. tickets. No comparative statistics are available in this instance, but the number is considered good in view of its being the first occasion of the kind.

The Calcutta Turf Club's Derby sweep was drawn in Calcutta at 9.30 p.m. on Saturday, May 31.

NEW FILM BY MR. GERARD.

EX-KAISER TRIAL SCENE.

Mr. Gerard, the former United States Ambassador to Germany, whose film "My Four Years in Germany" is well known in Britain, has just completed a new film entitled "Beware!" treating of the necessity of the utmost vigilance on the part of the civilised world in dealing with Germany's future.

A feature of the film is the forthcoming trial of the ex-Kaiser before a world-tribunal. Wilhelm is led into the dock by a Poilu, a Tommy, and a "Doughboy." Witnesses for the prosecution consist of maimed women and children in Belgium and Northern France.

The picture, which is a much more elaborate production than "My Four Years in Germany," will shortly be shown for the first time in New York and other leading cities.

Mr. Gerard composed the scenario and supervised the production.

TALE OF A MOTOR-CAR.

The London Evening News tells the story of a man from whom the Government early in the war took his Rolls-Royce car, paying £1,300. He had just refused £1,400, and thought the car was worth £1,500, but he did not complain.

A few weeks ago he traced it to the Admiralty. He was going to say: "It has been unpleasant for me to be without my car for this long time, but just give me a small allowance for depreciation, I'll give you the £1,300 back and I'll take away my car."

But the Disposal Board said: "To have your car back you will have to pay £2,600."

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A SWEEPING DENIAL.

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The Witness (looking bewildered): No, sir.

Counsel (severely): No! Then what are you?

The Witness (mildly): A chimney sweep, sir.

Everyone in court was convulsed with laughter.

CHARGE AGAINST CURATE.

The Rev. Sidney Valentine Allen, a Cardiff curate, was charged at Newport (Mon) with a series of thefts from Newport shops. When arrested at his home in Cardiff the police stated that they found curtains, rugs, Sheffield plate, tea trays, silver-plated spoons, and cutlery dishes, which were missing from the shops.

He made no defence and was remanded in custody for a week.

WAITING FOR A GHOST.

Undergraduates sat up on Thursday night until Friday morning, May 30, to see the ghost of "Christopher Round" that was so vividly described in a story appearing on the 29th of every May at Christ's College, Cambridge.

The ghost, according to the story, haunts the Fellows' garden, and one or two undergraduates tried to persuade themselves that they saw something walk from the bathing pond to the Fellow's Building.

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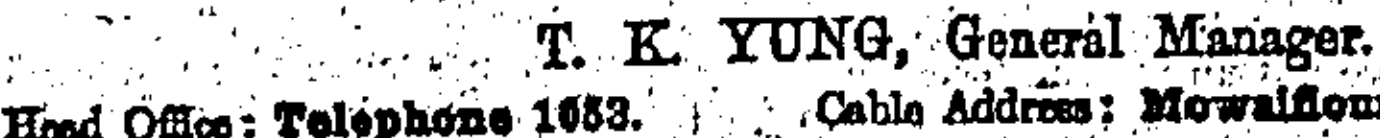
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MAYES.—At the Peak Hospital, July 17, 1919, to Mr. and Mrs. Stanley M. Mayes, a daughter.

The China Mail.

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, JULY 17, 1919.

TRAMWAY MANAGER EXPLAINS

What a blessing that newspapermen are like the sole of the coolie's foot. They are hardened by experience. The job of acting as watch-dog for the public (and what a sore throat this barking leads to) is at best a thankless one. At worst it would be hopeless. Little by little, though, nibbling in the best Foch manner, the war of attrition must lead to what you know. It isn't hopeless, though there are times and moods in which we think it is.

With regard to our little kick in last night's People's Paper about the method of collecting streetcar fares, we now have explanation for explanation. Mr. Roberts writes: "I have since seen the conductor of the Shaikwan car from which you alighted at Quarry Bay, and he denies having told any passengers to get off the car. There was no reason whatever why he should have done so as the car continuing its journey to Causeway Bay, and you were of course entitled to travel to that point on that car for the fare you had paid. It frequently happens that passengers travelling from Shaikwan to the Post Office change cars at Quarry Bay instead of at Causeway Bay, as by so doing a slight saving of time may be effected, and at Quarry Bay conductors do occasionally call attention to the Post Office car so that through passengers may change cars if they so desire. It is possible that this was done on the occasion in question."

This explanation certainly helps to clarify matters, and if the letter had ended there we should have had little more to say. The conductor denies that he told any passengers to get off. Very well. That settles it. Our employee, who said that he did, must be a liar. As Mr. Roberts might word it, "it is possible" that it is interesting to learn, however, that conductors do occasionally call attention to the Post Office car. When they say, "Get off here," and motion the passenger to another car just ahead, he is to understand this as meaning, "You may of course sit still and eventually reach Hongkong, but I respectfully call your attention to the fact that a slight saving of time may be effected by changing cars here." That's all right, now that we know, now that we've got an interpreter.

We are bound to own up and confess at this stage that the

Company does show consideration towards its patrons. There is no reason whatever why it should bother about the "slight saving of time," none whatever, yet Quarry Bay conductors do occasionally call attention to the Post Office car so that through passengers may change cars if they so desire. Do they or do they not do this by instruction of the Company? What are the "occasions" for doing it, that is to say, why is it done occasionally, and why not always? If a "slight saving of time" is good once, it must be good again. And what are "through passengers"? Mr. Roberts will say they are passengers going right through to the Post Office. But they must break journey. It is suggested they have the option of changing at either of the two Bays, but it is made clear that they must change at one. Then what makes them "through passengers"? There was a second sheet to the letter from the Tram Company. It said: "Both the conductor and motorman of the Shaikwan car and the conductor of the Post Office car which you boarded at Quarry Bay state that not more than 8 passengers changed cars, and as there were 32 passengers on the Shaikwan car I do not think you can be correct in your statement that all the passengers changed cars." There's weight of evidence for you. Here's ours. Our employee, whom we have strictly interrogated, and the man who usually wears his hat, and his own father's son, all stick to the original statement. Our man meant, of course, that all the passengers in the compartment where he sat, and whence he was ejected, were told to get off, and did so. They were six in number, four of them Europeans. So that there may be no further misunderstanding, owing to our failure to take a poll, the number who said openly and loudly that it was a "squeeze" was less even than that. All this quibbling on both sides (and the rather shabby attempt to suggest that our man had "told lies") is quite beside the plain issue, which is that the Company should reform its method of collecting such fares, for the sufficing reason that it causes misunderstanding and annoyance and trouble. People are not so poor in Hongkong that they have to pay for a twenty cent ride on the instalment system. Give us transfers, and a scale of fares that a stranger can understand.

There is a tail-piece to Mr. Roberts' letter, which so perfectly illustrates the official attitude in all these cases that we give it prominence.

"I would add that every consideration is given to complaints received from passengers, and a thorough investigation made, and that the proper way to complain of a grievance is to write to the Company about it, and not to refuse to pay the fare demanded."

That last part is comic. The "proper way" indeed. Here is reproof, as to a naughty boy. Here is the high and mighty tone, clearly alleging impropriety in a method that has been proper and popular for more years than manager Roberts and his company have existed. The proper way to complain of a grievance is to do it effectively, and experience has shown that in the case of railway companies, tramway companies, and public departments, the most effective way of ensuring attention (which we admit having got in this) is to withhold something they think they ought to have. It took a lot of hard work and some litigation to show the railway companies at Home that they couldn't have everything their own way. Their "by-laws" cannot override the law. Perhaps if more people here complain, instead of leaving the China Mail to play it alone, our Public Services will in time fall into line.

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A criticism last night (by a Journalist of all men) was that the man who wrote up this tram incident "didn't know what he was talking about." "If he knows that the fare from Shaikwan is twenty cents, why does he object to pay twenty cents?" Good God! It's awful—but we'll teach them how to learn to read yet, if we are spared long enough. Is this plain?

Our man wasn't at Shaikwan. No respectable person goes to Shaikwan. Shaikwan is where the mother of Moses was turned into a pillar of salt, where the man that struck O'Hara did the deed, and so on. Cut out Shaikwan. Forget Shaikwan.

Our man got on at Quarry Bay. Our man paid his fare at Quarry Bay. Our man was told to get off at Quarry Bay. Our man did get off at Quarry Bay. Our man got on another tram at Quarry Bay, by direction of the Company's servant at Quarry Bay, and our man was asked to pay again at Quarry Bay, about 100 seconds after he had already paid at Quarry Bay. Is that clear?

If you like to believe that the Tram Company, or its servants, are "occasionally" disinterested enough to suggest that passengers may effect "a small saving of time" by changing trams at Quarry Bay—without having any private end to serve—you can do so. If you are lucky enough to board the right tram, the fare from Quarry Bay to the Post Office is (it now appears) only ten cents. If you are out of luck, you change at Causeway Bay, and pay again. If you come from Shaikwan, you change twice and pay twice (as we understand it). All of which the public may like and enjoy and prefer, but if you listen to 'em, they don't.

Another criticism was, "What a fuss about ten cents." That's bad. This fuss is about many things. It involves nationalization of coal mines and railways. It involves Bolshevism. It involves the present policy of the Hongkong Government. Opponents of nationalization say it means increased inefficiency, less production, boundless extravagance, etc. Opponents of Government control of Public Services say similar things of that. The Hongkong Government is going to put down the Kowloon street car system itself, and run it. The public has applauded this decision. Why? Because exploiting companies don't consider public convenience and comfort. Because exploiting companies return perfunctory acknowledgements of public complaints or (if you keep back their ten cents) they say you must be lying because their coolies deny the truth of what you say, and they lecture you and teach you "the proper way" to do things you know far more about than they do. Public ownership of public services means public control over the management, more real consideration for the public, and more serious attention to public complaints and desires. If the criticism holds good, that there shouldn't be so much fuss about ten cents, why should a rich company hold an inquest (to find out if a China Mail man's a liar) and send two type-written letters about it? Such a criticism is childish. It is obvious that the Company believed a principle to be at stake. It would reason somewhat in this way. "If we let that pass, there will be no end to it. All sorts of cantankerous persons will keep us busy, and waste our time. We must assert our dignity, and demand an explanation. We have the law behind us. It is a crime to refuse to pay fare. Besides, what chance would one of those pestilent China Mail fellows have if dragged before Hongkong justice, that they've checked so much?"

May be the Company wouldn't think of that last bit, which was facetious. The rest stands. The tone of the two Tramway letters proves it. That's their principle, to stand no darned nonsense from the public, upon whose need they thrive, and whose wishes they consider or disregard, at their will—for they've got a monopoly charter.

As we once said before, don't think we care. A watchdog may not care for jewelry, though it guard it. If the public doesn't care, you bet we don't. If the people like to rest content with grumbling to each other, on the car, and won't take the trouble to back up the honest watchdog, what can we do more? We've barked. If the Master doesn't come, it's not our fault.

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RATTY LETTERS.

We print "Vimy's" letter to-day to show what such talk as Mr. Muriel's may lead to, and not because we admire it. Why do people get so hot? We didn't. A threat to kick us from a man 60 miles away didn't excite us. We had to print his abuse or he would have claimed we dared print only eulogistic letters. We published it without comment because he admitted that owing to our "mental capacity" he could not argue with us, and we do not fight with an opponent who surrenders at once like that. We are always ready to argue with anybody about anything, in a good-tempered way, and thus to give all opinions a chance. We urge our young champion "Vimy" to cultivate tolerance, and if he must write wrathfully, let it be simulated wrath, with an eye-twinkle behind it. We fear he really meant that about the dogwhip. Tut-tut! Mr. Muriel didn't mean that about kicking us, because he knows jolly well he couldn't do it. And we haven't survived forty years of threats from all sorts of pettish people to perish ignominiously in the filthy Canton street at last. Life's more or less a joke, anyway. Let's all avoid bad temper, and scatter more smile seeds.

POLICE RESERVES.

We have received a friendly "tip" from a trustworthy source that our strongly argued advice to the Government to demobilize the Police Reserve wasn't wasted. Before this month is out you will see. What the China Mail thinks to-day, others think the day after to-morrow.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

To-day's dollar is worth 3s. 6 15/16d.

To-day's return of communicable disease were blank, but for one case of enteric.

H. M. S. "Whiting" paid off recently and the ship is lying in the Naval Dockyard basin.

A Chinese was ordered to pay a fine of \$1,000 this morning for having 20 taels non-Government illicit opium concealed in his girdle.

In connection with the Peace Celebrations a meeting of the Executive and Legislative Councils will be held in the Council Chamber at 10 a.m. on Saturday, July 19.

Captain G. T. May, Royal Air Force of the Asiatic Petroleum Co. been Hongkong, son of Master Gunner G. T. May of the R.G.A. here has demobilized and is on his way back or awaiting a berth.

We are invited by the Right Reverend Bishop Pozzoni to announce that, on account of the Peace Celebrations, all Catholics in his diocese are dispensed from abstinence on Friday, the 18th inst.

The C. N. s.s. "Chenan" (Captain H.E. Laner) arrived from Shanghai, Tsingtau and Swatow this morning. Besides 1,200 tons of cargo the "Chenan" brought 16 baskets of Mail from Shanghai and 35 bags from Swatow.

Another Blue Funneler, the "Helenus" (Captain J. Milner) arrived from New York yesterday afternoon with 3,400 tons of tinplates and general cargo for onward ports and 2,200 tons of the same description for Hongkong.

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PEACE CELEBRATIONS.

AMBULANCE PREPARATIONS.

As there will undoubtedly be great crowds to view the illuminations the St. John Ambulance Brigade (Hongkong and China District) have arranged for trained ambulance members, men and women, to be on duty from 7.30 p.m. to 11 p.m. on Friday and from 5.15 p.m. to 11 p.m. on Saturday. Headquarters will be at the City Hall kindly lent for the occasion, where the ambulance members will be on duty for ladies and children will be looked after by lady members of the Victoria Nursing Division.

For general information we are requested to state that ladies are included in the invitations to the General Reception at Government House on Saturday at 11.30 a.m.

The Kowloon-Canton Railway illuminations were lit up last night to show the decorative effect. The outline of the tower and station showed up splendidly. The lighting presented the effect of dull red fire. On Messrs. Alfred Holt's Godown "God Save the King" was shown across the frontage of the Godowns. These two were lighted electrically but with white lights.

Other conspicuous features include the "Victory and Peace" on Sir Paul Chater's residence overlooking the City, and which can be seen from most parts of the Colony, and the "Star and Peace" on the China Sugar Refinery premises.

LOCAL GREETING TO KING GEORGE.

A joint meeting of the Legislative and Executive Councils, to which some ladies and members of the Consular Corps will be invited, will be held in the Council Chamber at 10 a.m. on Saturday, July 19. H.E. the Governor and the senior official member (Hon. Sir Paul Chater) will speak at the meeting and a resolution will be proposed expressing to the King the Colony's loyalty and conveying our felicitations on the occasion of the Peace Celebrations.

FIREWORKS PROGRAMME.

Friday, 18th July 1919—(Display from the harbour) at 8.30 p.m.

Day shells representing:—
1—Flags of allied nations
2—Parachutes
3—Animals
4—Display of rockets

FROM THE HARBOUR AT 10 P.M.

1—Opening salute of aerial bombs
2—Water fireworks
3—Cross fire of golden rain rockets

4—Flight of 4 inch. and 5 inch. bombshells

5—Batteries of Roman candles—different colours

6—Flight of tourbillons

7—Set piece "Over to top"

8—Flight of war signal balloon with magnesium illumination

9—Cross fire of war signal rockets

10—Flight of large bombshells, "x 10"

11—Display of golden rain batteries

12—Silver fountain batteries

13—Set piece "Allied shields"

14—Display of Italian colour wheels

15—Cross fire of 12 pound rockets

16—Flight of assorted bombshells "x 10"

17—Set piece "Union Jack"

18—Bombarding batteries

19—Set piece "God save the King"

Saturday, 19th July 1919—(Display from the Botanical Gardens) at 12.15 p.m.

Day shells representing:—
1—Flags of allied nations
2—Parachutes
3—Animals

FROM THE HARBOUR AT 9.30 P.M.

1—Salute of guns

2—Water fireworks

3—Cross fire star rockets

4—Flight of bombshells—3in. & 4in.

5—Batteries of Roman candle comets

6—Golden rain wheels

7—Acrobatic batteries

8—Cross fire of assorted sized rockets

9—Flight of large bombshells—5in. and 6in.

10—Niagara falls

11—Set piece on the run

12—Batteries of Roman candles

13—Golden rain batteries

14—Flight of American rockets

15—Flight of extra large bombshells—8 in. and 10 in.

16—Set piece "Union Jack"

17—Silver fountain batteries

18—Small shell batteries

19—National salute of red, white and blue rockets

20—Set piece "Over the top"

21—Grand Bombardment of Batteries

22—Display of serial artillery

23—Flight of assorted bombshells—3 inches to 10 inches

24—Set piece "Bombardment of Zeebrugge Hole—300 feet in length showing five battleships in action blowing up the mole at Zeebrugge"

25—Set piece "H. M. King George V"

26—Set piece "God save the King"

HONGKONG LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

A meeting of the Hongkong Legislative Council was held in the Council Chamber at noon to-day.

There were present:—
H. E. the Officer Administering the Government (the Hon. Mr. Claud Severn, C.M.G.)

His Excellency the General Officer Commanding the Troops, (Major-General F. Ventris).

The Hon. the Colonial Secretary, (A. G. M. Fletcher, C.B.E.).

The Hon. the Attorney General, (H. E. Pollock, K.C.).

The Hon. the Director of Public Works, (W. Chatham, C.M.G.).

The Hon. the Secretary for Chinese Affairs, (E. R. Hallifax, O.B.E.).

The Hon. Mr. Lau Chu-pak.

The Hon. Mr. Ho Fook.

The Hon. Mr. S. H. Dodwell.

The Hon. Mr. C. G. Alabaster, O.B.E.

The Hon. Mr. E. V. D. Parr.

The Hon. the Captain Superintendent of Police, (E. D. C. Wolfe).

After the minutes of the previous meeting held on June 21 had been laid on the table and passed, the Colonial Secretary, by command of H. E. the Officer Administering the Government, laid on the table the Report of the Finance Committee No. 6, Report of the Standing Law Committee No. 1, Report of the Public Works Committee Nos. 3 and 4, the Kowloon-Canton Railway's Report for 1918, Report of the Director of Education for 1918, Report of the Director of the Royal Observatory for 1918, Report of the Land Officer for 1918, Report of the Registrar of the Supreme Court for 1918, Report of the Superintendent of Prison for 1918, Report of the Captain Superintendent of Police for 1918, Report of the Botanical and Forestry Dept. for 1918, and the Report on the New Territories for 1918.

After these had been passed, the Draft Appropriation Account for 1918 was laid on the table and confirmed.

The Hon. Mr. C. G. Alabaster then asked the following questions:—

QUESTIONS.

1. With reference to the report of the Committee of the Sanitary Board appointed to consider the question of scavenging, is the Hon. Director of Public Works correctly reported to have minutes? The present system of collection and disposal is economical and with the provision of suitable pier accommodation would be efficient?

2. If so, what steps does the Government propose to take to provide the suitable pier accommodation which would render the present system efficient?

ANSWERS.

1. The quotation is correct. It forms part of a minute written by the Director of Public Works, as a member of the Sanitary Board, on the circulating cover of a Sanitary Board file.

2. The whole question of the destruction of city refuse is under consideration, and in the circumstances it would be useless to embark on the construction of expensive piers which may not be required.

Addressing the meeting His Excellency said: I have from time to time during the past few months referred to various aspects of the housing problem in this Colony, and I desire today to make a short statement regarding one part of the problem that appears now to have reached a stage where definite action can take the place of mere proposals. The European population of this Colony may be divided roughly into three categories. Firstly those who are in a position to build houses for themselves at a considerable cost provided suitable sites are available. Secondly those who are employed by the Government or by large Companies or firms who either have made or are making arrangements for their housing and thirdly those who though in permanent employment cannot reasonably look to their employers to provide houses for them and have not the means to build houses for themselves.

The Government has had under consideration the provision of sites for the first of these classes and I hope that before very long our efforts will be successful but I can make no definite statement on the subject at present. As regards the second class a great deal has already been done by the Dock and other Companies and the Banks to house their employees. The Government has not so far done nearly all that it might, but it intends to proceed as rapidly as possible with the erection of quarters. I am glad to say that the large firms in this Colony are also beginning to realise that it is to their advantage to house their employees in a suitable manner, and the Government will give them every encouragement in the matter of acquiring sites. There remains, however, the third class to whom I have referred to whom the problem of obtaining a permanent residence at a reasonable rent is already a serious one, and so far as can be seen will before long become an insuperable one unless some definite action is taken.

Married men in this Colony with incomes below some \$600 to \$700 a month cannot get houses at present of the size and convenience essential to health, except at rents

that are out of all due proportion to their incomes. It used to be said in England that the rent paid for his house by an ordinarily prudent man should not exceed one-eighth of his income. I have no hesitation in saying that there are married men here now who are paying as much as a quarter and in some cases even a third of their incomes in rent and taxes.

Through the operation of what was known as the Local Shipping Control Scheme, whereby the Admiralty requisitioned under its war powers certain small vessels employed on local trade routes, a considerable sum of money was realised. This money represents profits derived from ships owned by British subjects of British and of Chinese race respectively, and it is proposed to use it for the direct benefit of the local British and Chinese Communities. The Secretary of State has now authorised the expenditure of a portion of this money in the erection of housing accommodation for persons of the British race, being felt that the money can be devoted to no better use than that of endeavouring to mitigate the housing difficulty that has arisen. One of the greatest trials in a small household is the maintenance of a staff of satisfactory servants, and it is proposed to devote a considerable portion of the money available to the erection of flats, which while providing the conveniences of a private house, will at the same time render it unnecessary to have a kitchen. It will be possible to take meals in a common dining room or to have them served in the flat. Arrangements will be made to charge rent for a flat alone or for a monthly payment to include both rent and board. It is also proposed to build a hotel where both married people and bachelors will be able to obtain suitable accommodation.

The site on which these buildings will be erected is on Salisbury and Nathan Roads in Kowloon. It is within a very short distance of the ferry and has the benefit of almost every breeze that blows throughout the year. The amount to be expended may amount to one and a half million dollars, but until plans have been prepared it is of course impossible to give any useful estimate. The buildings will be of the most modern construction designed so to reduce the cost of repairs to the lowest figure.

Although public funds in the ordinary sense of the word are not to be used in this scheme, I feel that the statement I have made is not out of place in this Council where the housing problem has occupied much of our time. It is true that this new departure touches only a part of the problem, but the success of the scheme may have an important bearing on the policy of the Government in the future.

The Attorney General the Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C. then proposed the First Reading of the following Bills.

First reading of a Bill intituled An Ordinance to authorize the Appropriation of a Supplementary Sum of five million four hundred and sixty thousand three hundred and twenty-seven dollars and sixty-three cents to defray the charges of the year 1918.

First reading of a Bill intituled An Ordinance to provide that no person shall reside within the southern portion of the Island of Cheung Chau otherwise known as Dumb-bell Island without the consent of the Governor in Council.

First reading of a Bill intituled An Ordinance to consolidate and amend the law relating to Places of Public Entertainment.

First reading of a Bill intituled An Ordinance to amend the Rating (Special War Rate) Ordinance, 1917.

The Colonial Secretary, the Hon. Mr. A. G. M. Fletcher, C.B.E., seconded and the Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C., moved the first time.

Hon. Mr. Pollock: I beg to move the second reading of a bill entitled, "An Ordinance for the appointment of a Special Custodian of Enemy Interests in China Companies."

As the Hon. members will have before them this amended draft of the bill, which shows that certain amendments which he will propose to move, when they went into committee on the bill. He would like to explain to the Council that the object of this Bill is to work in as it were in regard to China Companies that is to say companies registered in China as under clause 2

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

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In case there should be any doubt in this question it should be made clear that these China companies are registered here, and it was desirable to remove any possible doubts that may arise.

With these observations he would move the second reading of the Bill. The Colonial Secretary seconded and the Bill was read the second time. Mr. Pollock then proposed that the Bill be taken into the Committee stage and considered clause by clause.

The Colonial Secretary seconded and there being objections the Bill was taken into Committee.

Mr. Pollock said that with reference to clause 2 the marginal notes 3 and 4 in italics be substituted by clause 3 as it stands.

The Attorney-General then reported that the Bill had passed through the Committee stage with the Amendment and moved the third reading.

The Colonial Secretary seconded. The Bill was then read a third time and passed.

The Attorney-General then proposed the second reading of a Bill intitled—An Ordinance for the more effectual protection of marine stores.

The Colonial Secretary seconded. Mr. Pollock said that it will be with the Hon. members, recollection that at the last meeting of the Council, the Bill was referred to the Standing Law Committee, and the Hon. members have before them the Committee's report and an amended copy of the bill dated 8.7.19 embodying in italics the amendments he would move.

It will be remembered that there was some discussion by my Hon. friend the member representing the Justices of the Peace in regard to the word "hawker." After consideration it was decided by the Standing Law Committee to substitute the word "collector" instead of the word "hawker."

Another point which was proposed to move is an amendment in clause 11, providing for the omission of the words in brackets and substituting them for those in italics.

In regards to Clause 12, he proposed that the words "any of" in the marginal notes be inserted after the word "of" in the first line. This will also include the Standard Oil Company's works at Lai Chi Kok.

He referred to the dangers of this omission, as in the case of fire etc., which Mr. Alabaster has pointed out.

He then moved the second reading of the Bill.

The Colonial Secretary seconded. Mr. Alabaster said that they will observe from the report of the Standing Law Committee that he had a right to move certain law amendments on clauses 3 and 4. As they are small amendments it is right that he should refer to them on the second reading. This Colony has been given a charter empowering the Legislative Council to advise the Governor in Council.

Although there are two bodies, the Executive and the Legislative Councils, no such power has been given to the Executive Council, and it was the duty of the Legislative Council to advise the Governor in all matters pertaining to the laws of the Colony, and when it leaves this duty to another body he felt that they were committing a breach of trust. He felt sure that the reason why the greatest charter of English liberty which was granted to the English seven hundred years ago at Runnymede, a copy of which is put in the Council Chamber, was to remind them that the duties imposed by our own charter are not to be lightly thrown aside. He proposed to move in Committee that clauses 3 and 4 should not be affected until approved by the Council.

His Excellency said that in regards to this he would remark that if this procedure was strictly adhered to, nothing can be put through in this Council. With reference to the member representing the Justices of the Peace's statement regarding the power to advise the Governor in Council, such regulations are restricted in their operation, and are contrary to the wording of the ordinance in which they were made. It is also a custom which has existed he may mention ever since the Crown colonies started, and it was practically universal. It was impossible for the Government to accept the proposal. The new Governor will be arriving soon and he is experienced in all such matters, after the time he has been spending in the Colonial Office, and in the principal Crown Colony of the Empire. He may also give us information in regards to this subject.

They do wish to ask them to pass this Bill. It is thought the Council should pass it and on this occasion the Governor cannot accept the motion put in Committee.

The Bill was then taken into Committee, and Mr. Alabaster proposed

THE NEW GOVERNOR.

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PREPARATION OF AN ADDRESS OF WELCOME.

A meeting of some of the leading residents of Hongkong was held yesterday, in the office of the Hon. Sir Paul Chater, C.M.G., for the purpose of considering the presentation of an address of welcome to Sir Reginald Stubbs, G.C.M.G., on his arrival in the Colony.

The Hon. Sir Paul Chater presided, the others present being the Hon. Mr. N. J. Stabb (Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation), the Hon. Mr. C. G. Alabaster, the Hon. Mr. S. H. Dodwell (Dodwell & Co.), the Hon. Mr. E. V. D. Parr (Mackinnon Mackenzie & Co.), Hon. Mr. Lau Chu Pak, Mr. R. Ross Thomson (Butterfield & Swire), Mr. D. G. M. Bernard (Jardine, Matheson & Co.), Mr. J. L. Crockett (Chartered Bank), Mr. C. L. Sandes (Mercantile Bank), Mr. J. A. Plummer (Bradley & Co.), Mr. A. H. Compton (D. Sassoon & Co.), Mr. C. S. Gubbay (E. D. Sassoon & Co.), Mr. W. Sinclair (Reiss & Co.), Mr. W. M. Humphreys (W. M. Humphreys & Co.), Mr. Barrett (Shewan Tomes & Co.), Mr. H. J. Gedge (Johnson, Stokes & Master), Mr. J. Scott Harston (Deacon, Looker Deacon & Harston), Mr. S. W. Tso, Mr. Ho Kwong, and Mr. Ng Hon Tze. The Hon. Mr. Ho Fook was absent through indisposition.

A sub-committee was requested to draft an address and submit it for approval at a future meeting of the Committee. Mr. H. J. Gedge was appointed Hon. Secretary.

U.S.A. AND THE BLOCKADE.

The American Consul General has received instructions from Washington indicating that the blockade against Germany has been raised, the instructions indicating that general licences have been issued effective July 14th authorizing the general resumption of trade and communication between the United States and Germany.

It will be noted that while the blockade is thus raised the action taken has been under licence so that the means of reimposing the blockade remains effective if action in that direction should be necessary.

GOLF MATCH.

A match under handicaps between the Civil Service and Military was played on the golf course at Fanling on Wednesday, July 16, with the following result:—

CIVIL SERVICE TEAM.

Mr. R. G. Hutchison, rec. 0
Mr. N. L. Smith, rec. 1 stroke
and 1 stroke
Condr. C. W. Bodwith, rec. 5
Mr. G. A. Woodcock, rec. 5
Mr. T. F. Olviston, rec. 5
Major Black (substitute), rec. 2
Hon. Mr. A. G. M. Fletcher
Hon. Mr. E. R. Hallifax
Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, rec. 3

MILITARY TEAM.

Captain Leslie-Smith
Lieut.-Colonel Cules
Lieut.-Colonel Harvey
Captain Lacey
Captain Butler
Captain Murray
Lieut.-Col. Clement-Smith
Lieut.-Colonel Taylor
Captain Gmy

Total
Match counts 1 point.
Tye counts 1 point.

TROOP TRAIN WRECKED.

A train containing British soldiers about to be demobilised ran off the rails near Charlevoix on the evening of May 30, between the stations of Marchienne-au-Pont and Luttre.

Three coaches were overturned, as the result of which seven soldiers were killed and a score seriously injured.

that the word "approved by the Legislative Council," be inserted after the word regulation in the second line of clause 3. Mr. Dodwell seconded and put to the meeting and lost by 5 votes for, and 6 against.

Mr. Alabaster seconded by Mr. Dodwell then moved that the same words "approved by the Legislative Council" be inserted after the words "Governor in Council" in the last line of clause 4. This motion was also defeated.

The Hon. Mr. Pollock then reported that the Bill has passed the Committee stage, and if the Hon. Members had no objection he begged to move the third reading.

The Colonial Secretary seconded and the Bill was read a third time and passed.

Before adjourning the Council sine die, His Excellency said there will be a special meeting on Saturday morning at 10 o'clock for the Council to pass a resolution to send a message of congratulation to His Majesty's Government.

The meeting then went into Committee to consider Financial Minutes Nos. 46 to 58.

MARINE COURT.

(BEFORE CAPTAIN BASIL TAYLOR, R.M.)

DISOBEYING ORDERS.

Eleven masters of steam launches appeared to answer a charge of making fast to the "Empress of Russia" and being the outside of more than two launches along side, thus disobeying the Harbour Master's lawful orders.

P. C. Niblock in giving evidence said the launches of defendants were alongside. He had warned the defendants two or three times beforehand but they took no notice.

Chan Kan master of Naval Yard launch 68 was discharged.

Europeans from Jardine's and Kowloon Dock gave evidence for their launch master's. Eight of the defendants pleaded they had to take a person on board.

Captain Taylor who said he considered this a test case and there fore would deal leniently with them imposed a fine of \$5 each on ten defendants.

TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENTS.

G. R.

NOTICE.

No vessel of any kind is to anchor or lie at any buoy in the area bounded by North and South lines through the Star Ferry Pier and the Victoria Recreation Club between the hours of 9 p.m. and 11.30 p.m. on the 18th and 19th July.

BASIL TAYLOR,
HARBOUR MASTER, &c.
Hongkong, July 16, 1919.

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NOTICE.

ON SATURDAY, 19th inst., All Departments will be CLOSED for business.

DISPENSING DEPARTMENT.—Urgent prescriptions will be dispensed from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 6 p.m. to 7.30 p.m.

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Hongkong, July 17, 1919.

PEACE HOLIDAYS.

THE HONGKONG STOCK EXCHANGE will be CLOSED for business from 10 a.m. FRIDAY the 18th inst. and SATURDAY the 19th inst.

W. LOGAN,
Secretary,
HONGKONG STOCK EXCHANGE.

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HONGKONG STOCK EXCHANGE.
Hongkong, July 17, 1919.

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PEACE CELEBRATIONS.

It will be found necessary to suspend the Tramway Service between Causeway Bay and White Street for some hours on the night of SATURDAY the 19th inst. The CARS will commence to be withdrawn at 7.30 p.m., and will be completely withdrawn by 8.00 p.m. Between 7.30 p.m. and 8.00 p.m. there will be a limited service only. The resumption will probably commence about 11 p.m.

Should the crowds on FRIDAY or SATURDAY nights be such that in the opinion of the management the service cannot at any time be safely continued, the CARS will be withdrawn or the service altered, and it is hereby notified that the Company do not guarantee the completion of any particular journey.

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By Order,
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Hongkong, July 17, 1919.

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Optional cargo will be landed, unless notice has been given prior to steamer's arrival.

All broken, chafed, and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on any Tuesdays & Fridays between the hours of 10.45 a.m. and noon within the free storage period.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the steamer's Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after July 24, will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the undersigned on or before August 7, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
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Hongkong, July 17, 1919.

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HUGHES & HOUGH,
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Hongkong, July 17, 1919.

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SINGAPORE	CHONGSHING	TUESDAY, July 22, at 3 p.m.	
SHANGHAI	CHONGSHING	WEDNESDAY, July 23, Daylight	
STRAITS & CALCUTTA	CHONGSHING	FRIDAY, July 25, at 3 p.m.	
MANILA	CHONGSHING	FRIDAY, July 25, at 3 p.m.	
TIENTSIN	CHONGSHING	SATURDAY, July 26, Daylight	
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EX-GERMAN EMPLOYEES' PETITION.

THE TEXT.

A petition drawn up by ex-employees of German firms in this Colony for compensation, owing to loss of their jobs caused by the war, is about to be sent to the Government. Many members of the Portuguese community held responsible positions in German firms here previous to the outbreak of the war. The following is a copy of the petition:

To His Excellency,
Hon. Mr. Claud Scott,
Officer Administering the
Government of Hongkong.

The humble petition of certain Portuguese members of the community respectfully sheweth:

1. Your petitioners at the outbreak of the war in 1914 were all employed by German firms in this Colony.

2. From the schedule hereto annexed many of them had served for a great number of years with the German firms employing them.

3. Upon the closing down of the German firms in this Colony a number of your petitioners were compelled to seek employment at the best rate obtainable, which almost invariably resulted in employment at a very much lower rate than that which they had obtained from the various German firms, and in many cases the fact that they had been employed by German firms militated against their obtaining employment at all.

4. Some of your petitioners were actually under agreement and were qualified for a bonus or a compensation from the firms they had served so long.

5. It can be readily proved that it was a custom of German firms to give a bonus and a holiday to all their Portuguese employees who had completed twenty-five years in their service. A number of your petitioners were within reasonable distance of either retirement on pension or of obtaining their bonus, but the outbreak of war deprived them of any fruits of their long service.

6. The Portuguese in this Colony have been faithful and loyal to the Colony and the British Government as is evidenced by the large number of them who joined the Hongkong Police Reserve. Practically all your petitioners are members of the Police Reserve. Further than this some of the Portuguese community volunteered and enlisted for the front.

7. It is an incontestable fact that the liquidators of the various German firms derived most of their in-

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C.S.M. Pagnell and Corp. Rollett, 88 Co., lost to Buck and Smith, 1-5; lost to Russell and Peakes, 2-7; beat White and O'Donnell, 5-4.

Corp. Mann and Bomb. Amy, 88 Co., lost to Buck and Smith, 1-5; lost to Russell and Peakes, 1-5; lost to White and O'Donnell, 2-7.

Formation as to the work of these firms from the Portuguese employees, that is to say your petitioners. Upon referring to the various liquidators this can be ascertained to be the fact.

8. Your petitioners in spite of the fact that their employment was lost to them, have shared equally with other members of the community, the hardships entailed by the higher cost of living and enhanced rates.

9. Some of the liquidators have generously granted a bonus to the Portuguese staff who have assisted them, and in some cases have paid a lump sum by way of gratuity. There are, however, a number whose services have not been recognised.

10. In every case your petitioners have families to keep and owing to the extremely complicated legal questions arising and also owing to their straitened means they have not been able to claim their right to compensation in the courts of Hongkong.

11. Now that this has been declared and the liquidation of various German firms practically concluded, your petitioners feel that they are entitled to some form of recognition, out of the funds available to the Government from the liquidation of German firms in this Colony.

Your petitioners therefore pray that your Excellency will be pleased to appoint a commission to consider the demand of your petitioners whether by way of bonus or otherwise, by a sum to compensate those formerly employed by German firms and whom the respective liquidators have not recognised in any way, and your petitioners will ever pray, etc.

THE CANTON STRIKE.

BUSINESS AT A STANDSTILL.

A French gentleman has supplied the *China Mail* with his experiences at Canton yesterday.

This gentleman left Hongkong for Canton on Tuesday to transact business matters. On Wednesday morning he found he was unable to do anything. All the shops were closed and the City had the appearance of being in a state of war.

Detachments of soldiers patrolled the City. These were particularly noticeable for the large numbers on duty on the water front and outside the Sincere Company's premises.

There was no electric light on Tuesday night, but our informant was told the engineers were returning to work at 2 p.m. yesterday.

Having had an unprofitable trip our friend came back to Hongkong, arriving this morning.

A Chinese gentleman has received a telegram from Canton to the effect that several shops have been re-opened following the order issued by the Government.

Another reporter brings this in: The trouble in Canton with regard to the notice sent by the people to the Government giving them three days in which to decide the question of the new Civil Governor has reached an exciting point. The Government has refused to recognize this public opinion and has ordered all the shops which were closed for business some days ago, to be re-opened in a few days. They propose strict measures to repress the strike. Armed guards are placed in all the outlying stations.

ARMED ROBBERY IN YAUMATI.

At 3.30 a.m. yesterday morning five Chinese, three armed with revolvers and two with daggers entered No. 260 Reclamation Street Yaumati, a rice shop on the ground floor. Covering the inmates with their weapons and ransacking the place was only the work of a few minutes. The robbers made good their escape with \$250 in money and clothing and a gold wrist watch valued at \$10.

The alarm was quickly raised and chase was given but without result. To think that good policemen are still being wasted on that unnecessary pass office! How long, how long?

THE LICENSING BOARD.

The Hon. Mr. C. G. Alabaster was nominated for the seat on the Licensing Board on the proposition of Mr. H. W. Bird, seconded by Mr. N. J. Stabb.

CORRESPONDENCE.

TUT-TUT.

[To the Editor of the *China Mail*.]

Sir,—That very polite and gentlemanly letter from Canton, addressed to you by Mr. Muriel is an admirable illustration of the standard of mentality they breed in "the dirtiest city in the world."

It is necessary that I should tell you that you may understand the spokesman of the British folk in Canton, that whoever won the war, be it the British, French, Americans, Chinese, Libanians or Siamese, that H. E. Muriel did not help in that great task. While Muriel was working in the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank here and piling up stores on the cricket field, the young and strong men of this Colony far more "indispensable" than he was, were playing the greater game of life and death on the gory battle-field of Europe. When there was a whisper round for volunteers in his Bank, the classic name of Muriel did not appear on it. If everyone else had the same examples of "conscience," Mr. Muriel would today have been feeling the lash of German tyranny, instead of having the leisure to write impertinent letters to his superiors.

In looking over past files of your paper I noticed that a "Captain" H. E. Muriel had been doing some doughty deeds on the cricket field here, and I straightway imagined the returned hero, having shed his life blood for the name of the country that bore him, and now helping to keep alive the King of Games in this Colony still the rest of the "boys come home." Imagine my disillusionment when I was told yesterday that the furthest he had been to the rank of captain was that of being captain of the Hongkong Cricket Club.

Let me assure you, Mr. Editor, that the British folk in Hongkong do not share the same feelings as the hero of Canton. Sir Douglas Haig was never a talker and when he attempts speeches he lets himself in for things he never means to say. I support your sentiment in regard to the last bit of arrant nonsense spoken by Sir Douglas Haig.

What H. E. Muriel of Canton wants is neither a ducking in the river nor a kick on his poster or a more effective form of corrective which should be administered to him in a severe thrashing with a fifty-cent dog-whip. I know persons who are willing to purchase the dog whip and to use it on him. I am one of them—though it will go against my grain to castigate a man with such

a large share of those qualities one usually expects in a jackass.

Yours faithfully,
VIMY.

Hongkong, July 17.
[See editorial note, "Ratty Letters."]

"POLICE PAY."

[To the Editor of the *China Mail*.]

Sir,—I have been following the movements of the Police Strikes in England with great interest, and I find the following statement in the *Manchester Daily Mail*, 7th June, 1919: "P.C.'s New Pay." [Printed below.] The trouble was saved by the action of the Government in making a last-minute concession of improved pay. The men are to be paid a minimum wage of £3 10s. a week. They are now paid £2 15s. including war bonus. Now the question is (1) Are the Police in Hongkong of as much importance as the London Police? (2) Does the maximum pay of a Constable in Hongkong compare favourably with the minimum pay of a Constable at Home?

I consider that the duties of a Policeman in Hongkong are far more strenuous than those of a Policeman at Home. For instance, he is performing duty in a foreign climate, and he has the difficulty in dealing with people of various tongues, and it has undoubtedly been proved that the risk he runs is as great as in any Police Force in the world.

In conclusion, I think that if a man is worth £3 10s. a week in his natural climate, surely he is worth more in a plague-infested place like Hongkong.—Yours, etc.,

MULTUM IN PARVO.

Hongkong, July 17, 1919.

POLICE STRIKE AVERTED.

Just for one dreadful moment last week it almost seemed as if there might be serious trouble in connection with the Derby—indeed, the more emotional souls even thought it might not be held. This was when the threatened police strike looked at its blackest. And the prospect for a while was very black indeed. There is no doubt that there were many very sinister influences at work behind the scenes in this matter. It is no exaggeration to say that it was hoped in some quarters that the successful stampeding of the police into a strike would provide the opportunity for certain lapses from good behaviour which might lead to—well, anything you like to imagine. The people in our midst who hope for the worst of things are not many, but their influence is fairly far-reaching. Fortunately, however, the great body

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH BAZAAR.

THE SECOND DAY.

Despite the hot weather, the influx of visitors to the St. Paul's church Bazaar to-day was almost as large as yesterday's. The sales went on with the same success, and the cause has been more than well helped. The pick-and-span condition of the various stalls and the blandishments of the girls in charge continued to attract the slippery coin. The fancy work stall however has the real pull. In the evening a Chinese theatrical performance has been arranged.

The Blue Funnel's.s. "Euryplus" (Captain R. Hill) which left Birkenhead on June 7, arrived here yesterday afternoon. Besides a mail the "Euryplus" brought 1,000 tons of cargo for Hongkong, and 6,500 tons for other ports.

of the police do not come within its sphere.

P.C.'S NEW PAY.

The trouble was saved by the action of the Government in making a last-minute concession of improved pay. The men are to be paid a minimum wage of £3 10s. a week. They are now paid £2 15s., including war bonus. Before the war the wage was 80s., and there are men in the Force who started on as low a basis as 24s. a week. The whole of the new wage of £3 10s. will be pensionable, whereas only £2 3s. of their former pay was so reckoned. In various ways the conditions of service are to be improved. All these concessions were long overdue, and nothing but the singularly stupid attitude of neglect persisted in by officialdom can be blamed for the attitude of truculence assumed by many even of the most staid and level-headed members of London's incomparable police force.

AN ILL-ADVISED "UNION." A signal defeat has been inflicted on the men's union, whose officials were clamouring for official "recognition," by the men themselves, whose heat speedily evaporated once they were given fair treatment by the authorities. But another contributory cause was the amusing action of the union officials, in publicly apologising to the band of rioters, who recently threw paving-stones at the police outside the House of Parliament, for the action of the police in drawing their batons to defend themselves. That was a direct incitement to mob rule which the order-loving London policeman was hardly prepared to swallow.

HONGKONG POLICE RESERVE.

Orders issued by Mr. J. N. Franks, D.S.P.

PEACE CELEBRATIONS.

Friday 18th and Saturday 19th July.

1st Detail (8-8.30 p.m.).—Parade at Central, 5.45 p.m.

Staff Inspector Clarke on 18th.

Staff Inspector Wilden on 19th.

1 Sergt. and 7 men.—No. 1 Platoon.

1 Sergt. and 10 men.—No. 2 Platoon.

1 Sergt. and 18 men.—No. 2 Coy.

1 Sergt. and 15 men.—No. 3 Coy.

2nd Detail (8.30-11 p.m.).—Parade at Central, 8.15 p.m.

Staff Inspector Watt on 18th.

Chief Insp. Royance on 19th.

1 Sergt. and 8 men.—No. 1 Platoon.

1 Sergt. and 10 men.—No. 2 Platoon.

1 Sergt. and 17 men.—No. 2 Coy.

1 Sergt. and 15 men.—No. 3 Coy.

BAND.

The Band will play on both nights in front of the Hongkong Club from 5.30 to 6 p.m. and in the City Hall from 6.30 to 7.30 p.m.

AMBULANCE PLATOON.

The Ambulance Platoon will parade each night at the City Hall at 7.30 p.m. Uniform, caps and covers.

POLICE RESERVE CLUB.

A General Meeting will be held at Headquarters at 5.30 on Thursday, the 17th. Members interested are requested to attend.

July 16, 1919.

BLIND BEGGAR AND C.S.P.

The Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, Captain Superintendent of Police when approached by a blind mendicant the other day, had the man arrested and brought before Magistrate Lindsell this morning.

Mr. Lindsell: Why don't you work?

Accused: I am blind.—Blind?

Inspector Cashman (prosecuting): He is very nearly blind, your Worship.

Mr. Lindsell: You have no business to interfere with the blind.

Inspector Cashman: It was the Hon. C. S. P.'s order. Defendant had been sent out of the Colony three times but had returned on each occasion.

Accused stated that he had been living on the bounty of Sir P. Chater to the extent of \$6 a month.

His Worship: Why do you beg then?

Defendant: I was only giving a salute to the people passing.

Mr. Lindsell: I see.

Defendant was fined \$5 or 10 days' jail.

CHINESE TELEGRAMS.

(Translated from The Chinese Mail (Wah Ts Yat Po).)

THE VICE-PRESIDENT.

PEKING, July 16. The question of the election of the Vice President has been suddenly brought up. It is believed that the movement is being engineered by interested parties who are prepared to force a passage of the election at the joint session of Parliament intended to consider the Constitution Bill.

JAPANESE INFLUENCE.

PEKING, July 16. According to a Washington telegram Japan desires the Powers that Japanese influence could persuade Peking to accept and sign the German Peace Treaty.

SHANTUNG AND CHINA.

SHANGHAI, July 16. According to a Paris telegram the statement that China and Japan are in direct negotiations in regard to the Shantung question is untrue. Foreign ministers in China and Japan are now exchanging opinions as to the possibility of mediation. China has not yet exposed her attitude.

ON FOK TUNG PROPOSES PEACE DELEGATES.

SHANGHAI, July 16. Certain members of the On Fook Club propose to persuade Shum Chun Chuen and Tan K. Si as chief peace delegates to the South and North respectively.

PEACE AFFAIRS.

SHANGHAI, July 16. President Chu Tsung Cheung has received a telegram from the effect that the South-west is willing to modify its demands if the whole of the North Peace Delegates come promptly. Tuan K. Si in an interview with Chu Tsung Cheung recommended the signing of the German Peace Treaty.

EXCELLENT PROMISES.

SHANGHAI, July 16. Chu Shu Tang, Commissioner of the North-west Frontier, has invited representatives of the North-west provincial officials to dinner. He informed them that he will not interfere in the provincial military or civil administration, and he will not borrow foreign funds.

FRONTIER INDUSTRIAL BANK.

SHANGHAI, July 16. A telegram states that Chu Shu Tang has organized the Frontier Industrial Bank with a charter empowering the Bank to act as National Treasury, and with the privilege of issuing notes.

SHIPS IN HARBOR.

List of vessels in port this morning.

British—Japanese—

Choysang Soshu Maru
Haihong Kaifu Maru
Euryalus Shinko Maru
Helenus Kohso Maru
Chenan Chalan Maru
Cheongshing Mishima Maru
Loksang Ariake Maru
Telemachus Arabia Maru
Linan Toyo Maru No. 1
Changchow Tenyo Maru
Haimun Kenkon Maru

Japanese—
Chofo Maru
Nissin Maru
Manila Maru
Masayoshu Maru

Chinese—
Chongva
Taishun
Shunshing
Yangtsiang
Shin Ping
Shun Cheong
Winghollee
Kwai Wah
Shun Kong
Asia
Po Lee

Norwegian—
Providence
Dove
Diva
Childar

American—
Tipanas
Tipodas
Dreute
Sultan van Koetel
Besitang
Van Waerwijck

FALL FROM THE ROOF.

While a Chinese houseboy in the employ of a European lady residing in Bellios Terrace was pegging some clothes on the roof of the house to dry, he accidentally slipped and was dashed to the ground below, and killed. Some witnesses declare that the poor boy was "showing off" by leaning out for clothes beyond his reach. In falling down he clutched at some telephone wires to save himself but failed to hold them. When the ambulance arrived from the Government Civil Hospital the boy's face and head were in a shocking mess.

WEATHER REPORT.

July 17, 1919. No returns from Japan, Vladivostok, Weihaiwei and Indo-China. Pressure has increased slightly at all reporting stations, and probably remains lowest over Tongking.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. today, 0.00 inch. Fresh since January 1st 37.82 inches, against an average of 45.30 inches.

Forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon on July 17th.

1.—Hongkong to Gap Rock, S.W. winds, fresh to fair.

2.—Formosa Channel. The same as No. 1.

3.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Looe. The same as No. 1.

4.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan. The same as No. 1.

ROYAL OBSERVATORY HONGKONG, DAILY WEATHER REPORT.

JULY 17, 1919.—a.m.

Station.	Hour.	Barometer at Sea Level.	Temperature.	Humidity.	Direction.	Force.	Weather.
Vladivostok 8 a.							
Nemuro 5 a.							
Yokohama 5 a.							
Kobe 5 a.							
Nagasaki 5 a.							
Kagoshima 5 a.							
Okinawa 5 a.							
Naha 5 a.							
Shanghai 5 a.							
Amoy 5 a.							
Swatow 5 a.							
Taihu 5 a.							
Taipei 5 a.							
Tainan 5 a.							
Koshun 5 a.							
Pescadore 5 a.							
Canton 5 a.							
Hongkong 5 a.							
Gap Rock 5 a.							
Macao 5 a.							
Wuchow 5 a.							
Fakhoi 5 a.							
Hohhot 5 a.							
Phulien 5 a.							
Tourane 5 a.							
C. St. James 5 a.							
Agarr 5 a.							
Dagupan 5 a.							
Manila 5 a.							
Legaspi 5 a.							
Tacloban 5 a.							
Surigao 5 a.							
Guam 5 a.							
Labuan 5 a.							

O. W. JEFFRIES, Chief Assistant.

Hongkong Observatory, July 17, 1919.

1. BAROMETER, reduced to 32 degrees Fahrenheit, on the level of the sea in inches, tenths and hundredths.
2. TEMPERATURE, in the shade in degrees Fahrenheit.
3. HUMIDITY, in percentage of saturation, the humidity of air saturated with moisture being 100.
4. DIRECTION OF WIND, to two points.
5. FORCE OF WIND, according to Beaufort Scale.
6. STATE OF SKY, blue sky, a detached cloud, a drizzling rain, a fog, a gloom, a hail, a lightning, a overcast, a passing shower, a squall, a rain, a snow, a thunder, a visibility, a dew, a wet.
7. RAIN in inches tenths and hundredths.

HONGKONG TIDES.

The tide-table given below has been compiled at the National Almanac Office in London from the result of the analysis of observations taken by means of an automatic tide-recording machine in the Water Police Basin at Tsim Sha Tsui during the years 1908-9.

The zero of the table corresponds with the zero of the sounding in the Admiralty Chart, which has been found to be 4 feet 3 inches below mean sea-level.

To obtain the depth of water on the tide gauge at the Victoria Naval Yard add 3 feet 4 inches, and on the gauge at Lamont Dock, Aberdeen, add 10 feet 4 inches to the height given in the table.

July 18 to 24, 1919.

HIGH WATER				LOW WATER			
Day of Week	Day of Month	Hour	Height	Day of Week	Day of Month	Hour	Height
Fri.	18	h m	feet.	Fri.	18	h m	feet.
		8 32	4.7			8 50	2.2
Sat	19	8 39	4.9	Sat	19	9 15	2.2
Sun.	20	8 46	5.1	Sun.	20	9 22	2.2
Mon.	21	8 53	5.2	Mon.	21	9 29	2.2
Tue.	22	9 00	5.3	Tue.	22	9 36	2.2
Wed	23	9 07	5.4	Wed	23	9 43	2.2
Thur	24	9 14	5.5	Thur	24	9 50	2.2
Fri.	25	9 21	5.6	Fri.	25	9 57	2.2
Sat	26	9 28	5.7	Sat	26	10 04	2.2
Sun.	27	9 35	5.8	Sun.	27	10 11	2.2
Mon.	28	9 42	5.9	Mon.	28	10 18	2.2
Tue.	29	9 49	6.0	Tue.	29	10 25	2.2
Wed	30	9 56	6.1	Wed	30	10 32	2.2
Thur	31	10 03	6.2	Thur	31	10 39	2.2
Fri.	1	10 10	6.3	Fri.	1	10 46	2.2
Sat	2	10 17	6.4	Sat	2	10 53	2.2
Sun.	3	10 24	6.5	Sun.	3	11 00	2.2
Mon.	4	10 31	6.6	Mon.	4	11 07	2.2
Tue.	5	10 38	6.7	Tue.	5	11 14	2.2
Wed	6	10 45	6.8	Wed	6	11 21	2.2
Thur	7	10 52	6.9	Thur	7	11 28	2.2
Fri.	8	10 59	7.0	Fri.	8	11 35	2.2
Sat	9	11 06	7.1	Sat	9	11 42	2.2
Sun.	10	11 13	7.2	Sun.	10	11 49	2.2
Mon.	11	11 20	7.3	Mon.	11	11 56	2.2
Tue.	12	11 27	7.4	Tue.	12	12 03	2.2
Wed	13	11 34	7.5	Wed	13	12 10	2.2
Thur	14	11 41	7.6	Thur	14	12 17	2.2
Fri.	15	11 48	7.7	Fri.	15	12 24	2.2
Sat	16	11 55	7.8	Sat	16	12 31	2.2
Sun.	17	12 02	7.9	Sun.	17	12 38	2.2
Mon.	18	12 09	8.0	Mon.	18	12 45	2.2
Tue.	19	12 16	8.1	Tue.	19	12 52	2.2
Wed	20	12 23	8.2	Wed	20	12 59	2.2
Thur	21	12 30	8.3	Thur	21	13 06	2.2
Fri.	22	12 37	8.4	Fri.	22	13 13	2.2
Sat	23	12 44	8.5	Sat	23	13 20	2.2
Sun.	24	12 51	8.6	Sun.	24	13 27	2.2
Mon.	25	12 58	8.7	Mon.	25	13 34	2.2
Tue.	26	13 05	8.8	Tue.	26	13 41	2.2
Wed	27	13 12	8.9	Wed	27	13 48	2.2
Thur	28	13 19	9.0	Thur	28	13 55	2.2
Fri.	29	13 26	9.1	Fri.	29	14 02	2.2
Sat	30	13 33	9.2	Sat	30	14 09	2.2
Sun.	31	13 40	9.3	Sun.	31	14 16	2.2
Mon.	1	13 47	9.4	Mon.	1	14 23	2.2
Tue.	2	13 54	9.5	Tue.	2	14 30	2.2
Wed	3	14 01	9.6	Wed	3	14 37	2.2
Thur	4	14 08	9.7	Thur	4	14 44	2.2
Fri.	5	14 15	9.8	Fri.	5	14 51	2.2
Sat	6	14 22	9.9	Sat	6	14 58	2.2
Sun.	7	14 29	10.0	Sun.	7	15 05	2.2
Mon.	8	14 36	10.1	Mon.	8	15 12	2.2
Tue.	9	14 43	10.2	Tue.	9	15 19	2.2
Wed	10	14 50	10.3	Wed	10	15 26	2.2
Thur	11	14 57	10.4	Thur	11	15 33	2.2
Fri.	12	15 04	10.5	Fri.	12	15 40	2.2
Sat	13	15 11	10.6	Sat	13	15 47	2.2
Sun.	14	15 18	10.7	Sun.	14	15 54	2.2
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Sat	28	24 10	18.3	Sat	28	24 46	2.2
Sun.	29	24 17	18.4	Sun.	29	24 53	2.2
Mon.	30	24 24	18.5	Mon.	30	25 00	2.2
Tue.	31	24 31	18.6	Tue.	31	25 07	2.2
Wed	1	24 38	18.7	Wed	1	25 14	2.2
Thur	2	24 45	18.8	Thur	2	25 21	2.2
Fri.	3	24 52	18.9	Fri.	3	25 28	2.2
Sat	4	24 59	19.0	Sat	4	25 35	2.2
Sun.	5	25 06	19.1	Sun.	5	25 42	2.2
Mon.	6	25 13	19.2	Mon.	6	25 49	2.2
Tue.	7	25 20	19.3	Tue.	7	25 56	2.2
Wed	8	25 27	19.4	Wed	8	26 03	2.2
Thur	9	25 34	19.5	Thur	9	26 10	2.2
Fri.	10	25 41	19.6	Fri.	10	26 17	2.2
Sat	11	25 48	19.7	Sat	11	26 24	2.2
Sun.	12	25 55	19.8	Sun.	12	26 31	2.2
Mon.	13	26 02	19.9	Mon.	13	26 38	2.2
Tue.	14	26 09	20.0	Tue.	14	26 45	2.2
Wed	15	26 16	20.1	Wed	15	26 52	2.2
Thur	16	26 23	20.2	Thur	16	26 59	2.2
Fri.	17	26 30	20.3	Fri.	17	27 06	2.2
Sat	18	26 37	20.4	Sat	18	27 13	2.2
Sun.	19	26 44	20.5	Sun.	19	27 20	2.2
Mon.	20	26 51	20.6	Mon.	20	27 27	2.2
Tue.	21	26 58	20.7	Tue.	21	27 34	2.2
Wed	22	27 05	20.8	Wed	22	27 41	2.2
Thur	23	27 12	20.9	Thur	23	27 48	2.2
Fri.	24	27 19	21.0	Fri.	24	27 55	2.2
Sat	25	27 26	21.1	Sat	25	28 02	2.2
Sun.	26	27 33	21.2	Sun.	26	28 09	2.2
Mon.	27	27 40	21.3	Mon.	27	28 16	2.2
Tue.	28	27 47	21.4	Tue.	28	28 23	2.2
Wed	29	27 54	21.5	Wed	29	28 30	2.2
Thur	30	28 01	21.6	Thur	30	28 37	2.2
Fri.	31	28 08	21.7	Fri.	31	28 44	2.2
Sat	1	28 15	21.8	Sat	1	28 51	2.2
Sun.	2	28 22	21.9	Sun.	2	28 58	2.2
Mon.	3	28 29	22.0	Mon.	3	29 05	2.2
Tue.	4	28 36	22.1	Tue.	4	29 12	2.2
Wed	5	28 43	22.2	Wed	5	29 19	2.2
Thur	6	28 50	22.3	Thur	6	29 26	2.2
Fri.	7	28 57	22.4	Fri.	7	29 33	2.2
Sat	8	29 04	22.5	Sat	8	29 40	2.2
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Mon.	10	29 18	22.7	Mon.	10	29 54	2.2
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Wed	12	29 32	22.9	Wed	12	30 08	2.2
Thur	13	29 39	23.0	Thur	13	30 15	2.2
Fri.	14	29 46	23.1	Fri.	14	30 22	2.2
Sat	15	29 53	23.2	Sat	15	30 29	2.2
Sun.	16	30 00	23.3	Sun.	16	3	

HONGKONG REGISTER.

Barometer	22.77	20.77	22.70
Humidity	87	80	85
Direction of Wind	WSW	W	SW
Force	3	1	2
Weather	0.00	0.00	0.00
Rain	0.00	0.00	0.00

Highest open air temperature on the 16th-85.
Lowest open air temperature on the 17th-78.
T. P. CLARKSON, Director.
Hongkong Observatory, July 17, 1919.

NOTICES.



HONGKONG PEACE CELEBRATIONS.

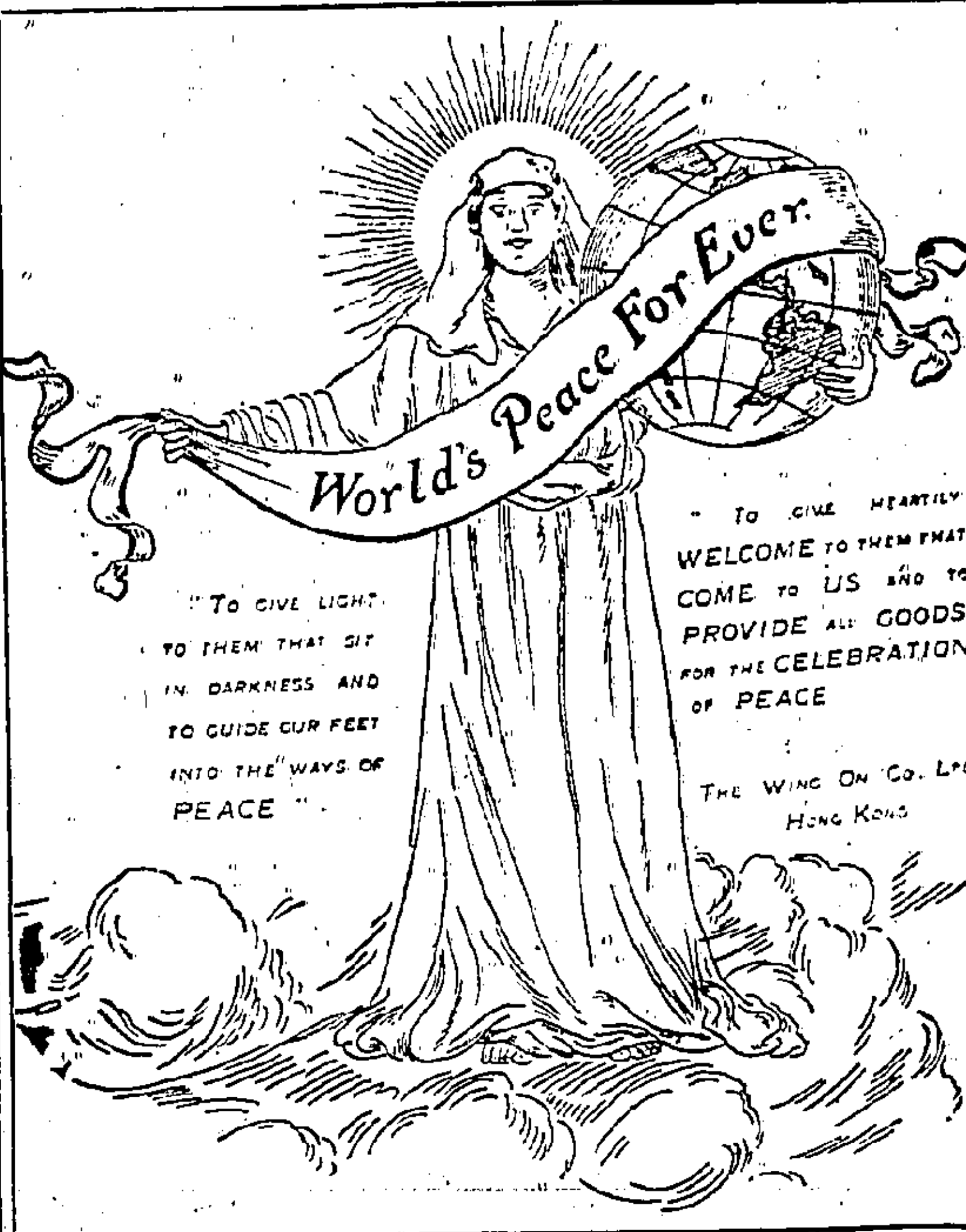
FRIDAY, 18th and SATURDAY, 19th July, 1919.

PROGRAMME OF EVENTS.

FRIDAY, 18th.—
6.30 p.m. Entertainment of Services.
7.30 Illumination of City and Kowloon.
9 to 10 " Fiery Water Dragon Leaves Yaumati and Proceeds through Harbour.
10 to 11 " Grand Fireworks Display on the Harbour opposite Statue Square.

SATURDAY, 19th.—
7.30 a.m. Review of Troops on Cricket Ground.
10.00 Meeting of Executive and Legislative Councils.
11.30 General Reception at Government House.
12.00 noon Salute.
5.15 p.m. Motor Car Procession through Central District.
6.30 Entertainment of Services.
7.30 Illumination of City and Kowloon.
8.00 Fish Lantern Procession starts from Happy Valley and proceeds through the City.
9.30 to 11 " Grand Fireworks Display on the Harbour, opposite Statue Square.

HONGKONG PEACE CELEBRATIONS.



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POST OFFICE.

GENERAL HOLIDAY.

The General Post Office will be open on Saturday, 19th July, from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. only.
There will be one delivery of ordinary correspondence and one collection of letters from the Pillar Boxes.
The Money Order Office will be entirely closed.
The District Post Offices will be open from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m., and from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. with the exception of Kowloon Office which will be open from 8 a.m. to 9 a.m. only.
There will be one delivery from District Offices at noon.

Allied soldiers in the various hospitals in Siberia are badly in need of reading matter. Any books, newspapers, etc. for their use handed in at the G.P.O. will be packed and forwarded to them free.

The parcel post service to Cuba is suspended.

It is notified that all restrictions as to the use of wireless telegraphy by Merchant Vessels on the China Station have been abolished.

The Services to Germany, Austria, Bulgaria and the Ottoman Empire are suspended.

No unofficial letter addressed to Abadan, Ahwaz or Kuchan in the Persian Gulf may exceed eight ounces in weight.

The insured letter and insured parcel services between Egypt and in transit through Egypt and Cyprus are temporarily suspended.

Registered and Parcel Mails are closed 15 minutes earlier than the time given below unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised to close before 9 a.m. registered and parcel mails are closed at 8 p.m. on the previous day.

In the case of Mails closing before 9 a.m. Registration closes at 8 o'clock on the previous evening.

INWARD MAILS.

FRIDAY, July 18.
Australia and Manila—Per AKI MARU.
SATURDAY, July 19.
Shanghai—Per NERA.
SUNDAY, July 20.
Straits—Per KAMO MARU.
Japan—KOYO MARU.
TUESDAY, July 22.
Manila—Per SIBERIA MARU.

OUTWARD MAILS.

FRIDAY, July 18.
Formosa via Keelung—Per FUSHIKI MARU, 11 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—Per HAIKONG, Noon.
Weihaiwei, Chefoo and Tientsin—Per CHEONGSHING, 3 p.m.
SATURDAY, July 19.
Japan via Nagasaki, Canada, United States, Central and South America and EUROPE via CANADA—Per MANILA MARU. Registration 8.30 a.m. Letters 9 a.m.
Java and Port of Spain via Batavia—Per TIBANAS, 9 a.m.
Japan via Nagasaki—Per AKI MARU, 9 a.m.
Swatow—Per CORNELIA, 9 a.m.
SUNDAY, July 20.
Haiphong, Saigon, Straits, Bangkok, Ceylon, Mauritius, South Africa, India via Dhanshod, Egypt and EUROPE via SUEZ—Per NMRA, 9 a.m.
Shanghai and North China—Per CHENAN, 9 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa via Keelung—Per AMAKUSA MARU, 9 a.m.
Shanghai, North China, Japan via Nagasaki, Honolulu, Canada, United States, Central and South America and EUROPE via SUEZ—Per FRANCISCO, 9 a.m.
MONDAY, July 21.
Shanghai, North China and Japan via Kobe—Per KAMO MARU, 10 a.m.
TUESDAY, July 22.
Swatow and Bangkok—Per CHUSAN, 10 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—Per HAITAN, Noon.
Formosa via Keelung, Japan via Kobe, Canada, United States, Central and South America and EUROPE via CANADA—Per PROTILIAUS, Registration 12.45 p.m. Letters 1.30 p.m.
Straits, Bangkok, Ceylon, Mauritius, South Africa, India via Dhanshod, Egypt and EUROPE via SUEZ—Per LAERTES, 2 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, July 23.
Philippine Islands, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island—Per NIHO MARU. Registration 6.45 a.m. Letters 8.30 a.m.
Shanghai and North China—Per TEAN, 3 p.m.
THURSDAY, July 24.
Shanghai and North China—Per SUNNING, 11 a.m.
Straits, Bangkok, Ceylon, Mauritius, South Africa, India via Dhanshod, Egypt and EUROPE via SUEZ—Per AGAMEMNON, Registration 12.45 p.m. Letters 1.30 p.m.
The Parcel Mail will be closed on Wednesday, July 23, at 6 p.m.

FRIDAY, July 25.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—Per QUINNEBAUG, 10 a.m.
Straits, Bangkok, Ceylon, Mauritius, South Africa, India via Dhanshod, Egypt and EUROPE via SUEZ—Per SADO-MARU. Registration 9.40 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.

ELAZON TYPE NOT NECESSARY.
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ENTERTAINMENTS.

THE CORONET 1743. 1743.

TO-NIGHT! TO-NIGHT!!

The fellows all sigh for her
They would all die for her,
She is the Belle of New York.

EDNA MAY

in

"SALVATION JOAN."

(7 parts)

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Showing:—3rd & 4th Episodes

"THE MOON CHILD."

and Various Comics.

PEACE CELEBRATIONS—July 18 & 19.

The Theatre will be CLOSED, no performance.

Booking at the THEATRE.

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MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.

The N.Y.K. s.s. *Atsuta Maru* (Australian Line) left Manila for this port on the 16th July, and is expected here on the 18th July.
The C.P.O.S. Co's R.M.S. *Montevideo* left Victoria for Hongkong, via Japan ports and Shanghai on the 9th July and is due here on or about 4th August.
The T.K.K. s.s. *Nippon Maru* arrived at Yokohama July 14 and sails July 16 for Honolulu and San Francisco.
The C.P.O.S. Co's R.M.S. *Empress of Russia* arrived at Nagasaki on July 14.

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